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-op as in  
**top**

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top**

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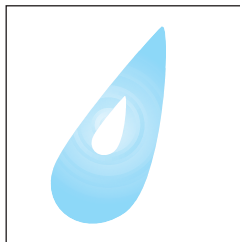
**cop**



**hop**



**lollipop**



**raindrop**



**stop**



**top**



The **cop** helps Marty  
cross the street.



The rabbit has to hop  
across the snow.



Mike and Jane have  
a big **lollipop**.





The splash was made  
by a **raindrop**.



Will's dad taught him  
how to **stop**.



Nick is at the **top** of the hill.

# The Top of the Crop





The cop grows flowers  
as a crop.





The crop grows tall



and starts to flop.



The cop doesn't want  
the crop to flop.



The cop makes  
the flopping  
stop.



She tries to prop up the crop  
with a mop.



All this flopping  
needs to stop!



The cop decides to chop  
each floppy top.



She takes the crop  
to the shop.



She sells each top  
for a penny a pop!



When every top has  
been sold,





it's time to shop!



## The -op Word Family

chop

plop

cop

pop

crop

prop

drop

raindrop

flop

shop

hop

slop

lollipop

stop

mop

top

# Glossary

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Some of the words in this list may have more than one meaning. The meaning listed here reflects the way the word is used in the book.

|                 |                                                  |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| <b>across</b>   | from one side to the other                       |
| <b>crop</b>     | a plant grown and harvested for profit           |
| <b>flower</b>   | the part of a plant that makes the fruit or seed |
| <b>raindrop</b> | a water drop that falls from a cloud             |
| <b>street</b>   | road                                             |

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